## **WE CLAIM**

- An instrument for the treatment of the apical portion of radicular dental canals, comprising a conical shaft having at least one helicoidal working ridge,
  and having an active anterior portion comprising at least two successive
  - and having an active anterior portion comprising at least two successive cones whose opening decreases from an anterior point of the instrument in the direction of said active posterior portion.
- 2. An instrument according to claim 1, wherein said active portion comprises a plurality of cones of different openings, of a value decreasing from the point of the instrument and thus has the general shape of an ogive whose point forms the point of the instrument.
- 3. An instrument according to claim 1, wherein said active portion has a length greater than about 14 mm.